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THE

Royal Albert Institution,

LANCASTER:

FOR THE FEEBLE-MINDED

OF

LANCASHIRE, YORKSHIRE, CHESHIRE, WESTMORLAND,

CUMBERLAND, DURHAM AND NORTHUMBERLAND.

SEVENTY-THIRD

ANNUAL REPORT.

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NOVEMBER, 1937.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I BEQUEATH TO THE ROYAL ALBERT INSTITUTION AT LANCASTER the sum of free of duty, to be applicable for the purposes of such Institution, and I declare that the receipt of the TREASURER or other proper officer for the time being of such Institution shall be a sufficient discharge for the same.

I devise my [describe the property fully] free of duty, unto the Royal Albert Institution at Lancaster, for all my estate and interest therein, the same to be for the absolute use and benefit of the said Institution and applicable for the purposes thereof.*

* *Formerly a Testator could leave only money to a Charitable Institution, but now he can also devise real estate (that is land, houses and other buildings, and chief rents) to such an Institution.*

VOTING REGULATIONS.

Each County shares in the benefits of the Institution in proportion to the amount of its contributions, and the CENTRAL COMMITTEE most earnestly APPEAL for DONATIONS and SUBSCRIPTIONS, in order that full advantage may be taken of the accommodation, which now equals about 850 beds.

Free patients are periodically elected by the votes of contributors, and are received for seven years or more, subject to the rules and regulations of the Institution. Suitable cases are eligible for re-election for a further period.

At every election to fill vacancies for their respective Counties, Donors and Subscribers are entitled to one life-vote for every five guineas given in donations, and to an annual vote for each half-guinea subscribed annually by them to the funds of the Institution. For higher sums the votes increase in the same proportion. Smaller amounts are gratefully received.

Every Secretary of a County or Local Committee, and every Secretary, Treasurer or District Receiver of a Ladies' Association, receives two votes for services in such capacity; and each Collector of not less than 10s. 6d. per annum is entitled to one vote for collecting, and to an additional vote for every £2 12s. 6d. collected annually in subscriptions and donations.

Collecting books may be had on application to the Secretary. Annual subscriptions are renewable on the first day of January or July, and continue until their cessation is notified. Legacies are invested for the permanent benefit of the Institution.

Cheques and Money Orders should be made payable to the Secretary, The Royal Albert Institution, Lancaster; or to the General Treasurers, District Bank Limited, LANCASTER. Early intimation of money paid into Local Banks should be sent to the Secretary, in order that the usual official acknowledgment may promptly be made.

The Royal Albert Institution is open for Inspection on any day by appointment with the Medical Superintendent.

PROSPECTUS.

THE ROYAL ALBERT INSTITUTION was established in 1864 for the care, education and training of the improvable feeble-minded of all classes belonging to the Seven Northern Counties—Lancashire, Yorkshire, Cheshire, Westmorland, Cumberland, Durham and Northumberland. It was erected and is supported by voluntary contributions, and patients are admitted both FREE BY ELECTION and also, WITHOUT ELECTION, AT RATES VARYING FROM 40 TO 250 GUINEAS PER ANNUM. Votes are allotted to subscribers and donors according to the amount contributed, and there are always many election applicants. SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION IS RESERVED FOR PRIVATE PATIENTS.

The Institution is situated about a mile from Lancaster; and the estate upon which it is erected consists of about 280 acres of excellent land in a charming and salubrious situation, commanding fine views of Morecambe Bay and the mountains of the Lake District. Accommodation has been provided for more than 850 inmates, and the arrangements comprise every convenience for the specific treatment of the feeble-minded. The system of training is designed to secure, by special means, the physical, mental and moral improvement of the patients.

Besides the school instruction, training is given in a great variety of useful occupations. In the workshops, the boys are taught tailoring, shoemaking, basketmaking, brushmaking, matmaking, tinsmithing, joinery and cabinetmaking, woodcarving, toymaking, printing, painting and baking; and there are industrial classes for boys and girls in weaving, leather-work and bookbinding. There are also excellent means of outdoor employment and training in farm and garden work.

The girls are trained in knitting, sewing, cooking, laundry-work and other household occupations, and also in lacemaking, hatmaking, soft toymaking and various art crafts.

The results of training are shown by the following statistics: Since the opening of the Institution in December, 1870, 4,878 patients have been admitted, and about four out of every five of those dealt with have been reported as more or less improved, many having become practically self-supporting under friendly supervision. Scarcely any case leaves the Institution altogether unimproved.

Epileptic, Paralytic, Encephalitic, Tuberculous or Insane Persons are *not* eligible for admission; nor those who are incurably Hydrocephalic. Blindness or Deafness is also a disqualification.

The following are some of the principal Rules and Regulations:

PATIENTS.—Three classes are admitted:

1. Private patients, admitted at rates varying from 80 to 250 guineas per annum, according to the privileges and accommodation required. There is no maximum age restriction, and no residential qualification is necessary.

2. Patients for whom the full payment cannot be offered, and who belong to one of the seven associated northern counties, are eligible for admission at reduced rates varying from 40 to 80 guineas per annum.

3. Elected patients, between the ages of six and twenty-one at the date of application, whose friends are proved to be unable to meet the lowest payment. They are admitted by the votes of the Subscribers, and are received for seven years or more, suitable cases being eligible for re-election for a further period. They must belong to one of the seven associated northern counties.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION.—Applications must be addressed to the Secretary, from whom all necessary information may be obtained. The Central Committee will institute inquiries to ascertain whether there is a reasonable probability of benefit from the treatment adopted in the Institution, and to enable them to decide the terms on which the candidate ought to be admitted.

MODE OF ELECTING PATIENTS.—Subscribers have the option of voting directly by means of voting papers, or of transferring their votes to their respective Local or County Committees. Canvassing for votes is prohibited.

VOTES.—Donors of five guineas have a life vote, and Annual Subscribers of half a guinea an annual vote, for each vacancy due to their respective Counties. The right of voting, as regards higher sums, increases in the same proportion.

PERPETUATION OF VOTES.—At the death of a Donor, a vote for every ten guineas of his gift is vested in perpetuity in the Committee of the County to which the gift was originally made; and Legacies confer the same privilege. This voting power is never to exceed one-fourth of the entire voting power belonging to the Donors and Subscribers in the County.

GOVERNMENT.—The government of the Institution is confided to:

(a) A Central Committee, which consists of representatives from each of the Local Committees, in addition to fifteen Subscribers resident in the neighbourhood of Lancaster, who are elected at each Annual General Meeting.

(b) County Committees constituted by the members of the Central Committee forming themselves into Sub-Committees for promoting, in their respective Counties, the interests of the Institution.

(c) Local Committees formed for the purpose of obtaining funds and generally promoting the interests of the Institution. Every Local Committee is entitled to send one representative to the Central Committee, and also an additional representative for each entire thousand guineas in donations after the first thousand guineas, and for each entire fifty guineas in annual subscriptions after the first fifty guineas, contributed in that district.

The number of patients *elected* by each County is regulated by the amount of its contributions, and 2,496 of the 4,878 cases so far admitted have been sent in this way by the Subscribers. Many others have been received at reduced rates of payment. Of the 789 inmates now in the Institution, 333 belong to Yorkshire, 232 to Lancashire, 64 to Cheshire, 81 to Durham, 34 to Cumberland, 16 to Westmorland and 9 to Northumberland. Twenty payment cases belong to Counties not included in the Institution district.

The OBJECT, being one of broad Christian philanthropy, CLAIMS THE SYMPATHY OF ALL CLASSES, and the Committee therefore appeal with confidence for help to rescue the feeble-minded from mental and physical deterioration. The applications for admission are both numerous and urgent. The Central Committee, therefore, while gratefully acknowledging the generous support which they have received in the past, earnestly APPEAL FOR ADDITIONAL DONATIONS AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS. Legacies are invested for the permanent benefit of the Institution.

DONORS OF FIVE HUNDRED GUINEAS ARE ENTITLED TO NAME AN ENDOWED BED, WHICH WILL BE DISTINGUISHED BY A BRASS TABLET.

Reports, regulations, application forms and other information will be gladly supplied by the Secretary, The Royal Albert Institution, Lancaster.

RICHARD F. CAVENDISH, *Chairman of the Central Committee.*

November, 1937.

The Central Committee desire to draw attention to the advantages offered by the Royal Albert for Private Patients, who attend the scholastic and industrial classes and share in all the other privileges of the Institution. The Royal Albert, with its extensive grounds, is pleasantly situated at a little distance from Lancaster, and combines for Patients paying remunerative rates seclusion and comfort with the hygienic, educational and training resources of a large Public Institution under responsible management. Terms on application to the Secretary.

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MEDALS AWARDED IN 1937 FOR LONG SERVICE.

GOLD MEDALS.

Dr. Cyril J. Henderson, Medical Superintendent	1920
Mrs. Jenny Tarver, Teacher	1920
Mrs. Ada Wells, Laundress	1920
William Sutcliffe, Shoemaker	1920
Fred Kirby, Printer	1920
*Isaac Parsonage, Attendant	1919

SILVER MEDALS.

John Bebbington, Attendant	1925
Joseph Southward, Gardener	1925
Jacob Atkinson, Head Gardener	1925
David Drummond Steadman, Surgery Attendant	1925
John Reginald Watson, Attendant	1925
John Airey, Farm Man	1925
*Margaret Phillipson, Assistant Matron	1914
Lancelot Newton Townson, Stores Assistant	1925
Doris Ratcliffe, Nurse	1925
Ernest Edmondson, Deputy-Chief Attendant	1925
Albert Edward Pell, Attendant	1925
Mary Olive James, Nurse	1925
Elizabeth Arkwright, Sempstress	1925

BRONZE MEDALS.

Robert Wilson Huck, Plumber	1930
James Edmund Firth, Attendant	1930
Mary Bamford, Nurse	1930
Margaret Agnes Furness, Sempstress	1930
Mrs. Margaret Wilkinson, Laundress	1930
John Pym, Attendant	1930
William Lee Robinson, Boiler Man	1930
*Mrs. Elizabeth Hargreaves, Laundress	1927
*Edith Mary Dilworth, Nurse	1929
Ernest Kilner, Attendant	1930
William David Jones, Tailor	1930
Phyllis Mary Swarbrick, Teacher	1930

* Service discontinuous.

NOTE.—Gold medals are awarded for seventeen years' service, silver medals for twelve years' service, and bronze medals for seven years' service. Of the present staff, 57 hold gold medals, 23 silver medals and 50 bronze medals; 62 gold medals, 42 silver medals and 91 bronze medals have also been awarded to past members of the staff.

ANNUAL ELECTION OF PATIENTS.

An election of fifty-six patients was held at the Institution on Friday, May 28th, 1937. There were no unsuccessful candidates, the whole of the following applicants being elected:

LANCASHIRE.—Frederic Thomas Barron, Manchester; Emily Elizabeth Berry, Garstang; Cyril Birch, Rochdale; Thomas Harold Boswell, Liverpool; James William Bramley, Heysham; Ronald Brown, Ulverston; Peter Butterworth, Rochdale; Robert Thomas Clark, Liverpool; Joseph Craven, Preston; Madge Crowder, Rochdale; John Hoskins Dalton, Lancaster; Annie Letitia Finney, Manchester; George Arnold Fox, Dalton-in-Furness; Norman Gregson, Wigan; Margery Hall, Preston; Henry Harwood, Lancaster; Joseph Henry Hodson, Heysham; Alfred Hughes, St. Helens; Isabel Innerd, Barrow-in-Furness; Elizabeth May Irvine, Barrow-in-Furness; Graham Crichton Linacre, Liverpool; Robert Lingard, Preston; Tom Mellor, Ashton-under-Lyne; Joan Mullaney, Heaton Norris; Thomas Joseph Plummer, Rochdale; John Francis Postlethwaite, Lancaster; Lilian May Pyke, Lancaster; Ronald Edward Rostron, Bolton; Thomas Simpson, Lindale; Mary Elizabeth Smith, Carnforth; James Ernest Sudworth, Ashton-in-Makerfield; Edith Heywood Taylor, Middleton; Alexander Webster, Blackpool; Charles Weston, Lancaster; Eric White, Manchester; Norman Williams, Warrington.

YORKSHIRE.—Dorothy Broadbent, Sowerby Bridge; Richard Charles Bruce, York; Peter Howard Caswell, Bingley; David Raymond Dixon, Keighley; Kathleen Mary Duffissey, Otley; Roy Green, Thrybergh; Basil Lambert, Halifax; Mary Lilian Strevens, Starbeck; Joyce Thomas, Sheffield.

DURHAM.—Leonard George Hodkinson, Norton-on-Tees; Georgina Maughan, Horden; Colin Byers Meachen, Stockton-on-Tees; Sidney Taylor, Gateshead; Violet Norah Wood, Stockton-on-Tees.

CUMBERLAND.—Mary Eleanor Kirkbride, Arlecdon; Lilian Brooker Lindsay, Cockermouth; George Wade, Hensingham.

CHESHIRE.—Archibald Kerr, Birkenhead.

WESTMORLAND.—Thomas Byron Blackett, Kendal.

NORTHUMBERLAND.—James Stuart Macgregor, Walker-on-Tyne.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT NEWCASTLE, OCTOBER 16th, 1936.

The annual general meeting of members of the Royal Albert Institution was held in the College of Medicine, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Friday, October 16th, 1936, in compliance with Article 12, the Right Hon. Lord Richard Cavendish, P.C., C.B., C.M.G. (Chairman of the Central Committee) presiding. He was supported by Richard Smith, Esq. (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Lord Mayor of Newcastle (Ald. W. Taylor) and the Deputy Lady Mayoress, his Grace the Duke of Northumberland, the High Sheriff of Northumberland (Capt. A. W. Milburn, M.C.), the Lady Sheriff of Newcastle (Mrs. Wallace), Sir Ralph Mortimer, O.B.E. (Chairman of the Northumberland Committee), Sir Thomas Oliver, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D. (Newcastle), Mrs. Blackett-Ord (Hon. Secretary of the Northumberland Association),

Mrs. W. H. Challoner (President of the Sunderland Association), T. W. Helme, Esq. (Chairman of the Stores Committee), Frederic Nightingale, Esq., F.C.A. (Hon. Secretary of the Bolton Committee), Mrs. A. Harrison (Durham), A. C. Haines, Esq. (Lancaster), V. P. Royle, Esq. (Lancaster), Rev. Canon Royds (Heysham), Rev. Canon Stephenson (Gateshead) and many others.

The minutes of the annual general meeting held at Chester on October 11th, 1935, were confirmed and signed; and the Chairman then proceeded with the business included in the agenda, reserving his remarks for the subsequent public meeting. The following resolutions were carried unanimously:

1.—That the Seventy-second Annual Report, with the Annual Accounts, be received and adopted, and the Central Committee's appeal for continued generous support earnestly recommended for favourable consideration.

Moved by Richard Smith, Esq. (Chairman of the Finance Committee), and seconded by T. W. Helme, Esq. (Chairman of the Stores Committee).

2.—That the Lancaster members of the Central Committee be cordially thanked for their valuable services, and that the following (with one vacancy) be appointed the Lancaster members for the coming year:

The Right Hon. Lord Richard Frederick Cavendish, P.C., C.B., C.M.G.

Thomas Clarke Butler-Cole, Esq.
Rev. Herbert Broughton Edwards.
William James Garnett, Esq.
Arthur Colton Haines, Esq.
Thomas Wilson Helme, Esq.
Rev. Charles Cradock Twemlow Royds.
Vernon Peter Royle, Esq.
Richard Smith, Esq.
Alan Thomas Trevor Storey, Esq.
John Gallienne Swainson, Esq.
Sir James Travis-Clegg, D.L.
John Welch, Esq.

Miss Edith Currer Willis.

Moved by Frederic Nightingale, Esq., F.C.A. (Hon. Secretary of the Bolton Committee), and seconded by Sir Ralph Mortimer, O.B.E. (Chairman of the Northumberland Committee).

3.—That the 1937 election of patients be left to the Central Committee, who are hereby authorised, on behalf of the voting subscribers and donors and the County Committees, to elect such candidates as they may deem advisable.

Moved by V. P. Royle, Esq. (Lancaster), and seconded by the Rev. Canon Royds (Heysham).

4.—That, in compliance with Article 56, Mr. Harry Cross, A.C.A., be appointed Auditor for the ensuing year.

Moved by A. C. Haines, Esq. (Lancaster), and seconded by T. W. Helme, Esq.

5.—That, in pursuance of Article 12, the next general meeting be held at Preston during September or October, 1937, unless the Central Committee deem it advisable to appoint some other place or time.

Moved by Mrs. W. H. Challoner (President of the Sunderland Association) and seconded by Richard Smith, Esq. (Lancaster).

Lord Richard then vacated the chair in favour of the Deputy Lord Mayor of Newcastle (Ald. W. Taylor), who presided over the subsequent public meeting.

PUBLIC MEETING.

The public meeting associated with the annual general meeting followed at once in the same room, Ald. W. Taylor (Deputy Lord Mayor of Newcastle) taking the chair at 3 o'clock. The meeting

attracted a very good attendance, and great interest was taken in the display of patients' work on exhibition and sale.

Apologies were received from her Grace the Duchess of Northumberland (President of the Northumberland Ladies' Association), the Lord Mayor of Newcastle (Ald. Wm. Locke), the Lord Bishop of Newcastle, the Right Rev. Bishop Welldon, Col. F. Haworth (Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee), Councillor Wallace (Sheriff of Newcastle), Mr. H. A. Westmacott (Hon. Secretary of the Northumberland Committee), Mr. Samuel Keir (General Secretary) and many others.

In his opening address the Deputy Lord Mayor said that he could speak from practical and personal knowledge of the Institution. Not only was it a beautiful building but the work done there was impressive. They in Northumberland would not be backward in doing what they could to further that splendid work, since the results achieved had certainly been well worth while.

Summarising the aims and development of the Institution, Lord Richard Cavendish said it was always a pleasure to visit a city like Newcastle and particularly so in his own case, because the first time he presided over the annual meeting as Chairman of the Royal Albert was at Newcastle, and it gave him added pleasure that whereas the public meeting on that occasion was presided over by the then Duke of Northumberland they now had the present holder of the title with them on the platform. Stressing the fact that the Royal Albert was essentially a voluntary and charitable Institution, Lord Richard said that it was originally founded with the idea of providing for the care, instruction and training of the feeble-minded children of the seven northern counties. By subscribing to such an Institution their money was being given in support of one of the most deserving causes they could possibly know, and he had no hesitation in appealing to them most earnestly to see to it that this good work was continued. He wished to stress the gratitude they felt towards their lady helpers. Their assistance in getting in subscriptions was of great value, and he asked those present to do what they could to further their efforts. He pleaded for continued and increased support for the future benefit of the Institution.

The following resolutions were then passed unanimously :

1.—That this meeting heartily congratulates the supporters of the Royal Albert Institution upon its unabated usefulness and prosperity, and trusts that its beneficent work for the benefit of the feeble-minded of Northumberland and the other northern counties may continue to receive generous support.

Moved by Sir Ralph Mortimer, O.B.E. (Chairman of the Northumberland Committee), and seconded by Sir Thomas Oliver, M.D., D.C.L., LL.D. (Newcastle).

2.—That the Hon. Officers and Collectors of the Ladies' Associations connected with the Royal Albert Institution be cordially thanked for their very valuable services, which have done so much to promote the success of the work carried on at Lancaster.

Moved by Capt. A. W. Milburn, M.C. (High Sheriff of Northumberland), and seconded by the Rev. Canon Stephenson (Vicar of Gateshead).

3.—That the services of the Chairman and members of the Northumberland Committee be most gratefully acknowledged, and that they be empowered to add to their number and earnestly requested to continue their assistance.

Moved by the Rev. R. Norman Edwards (Gosforth) and seconded by Mrs. W. Taylor (Deputy Lady Mayoress of Newcastle).

The formal proceedings ended with a vote of thanks to the Deputy Lord Mayor for presiding, accorded on the motion of Lord Richard Cavendish, those present then remaining for tea, which was kindly provided by Sir Ralph Mortimer and Mr. H. A. Westmacott.

SAMUEL KEIR, Secretary.

MAIN BUILDING
ROYAL ALBERT INSTITUTION
LANCASTER

REPORT

For the Year ending March 31st, 1937.

IN submitting their Seventy-third Annual Report, the Central Committee deeply regret that for the second successive year their opening announcement should have reference to a change in the Patronship of the Royal Albert Institution, caused in this instance by the abdication of his Majesty King Edward the Eighth. Happily the Keeper of the Privy Purse wrote almost immediately informing the Committee that his Majesty King George the Sixth had been pleased to continue the royal Patronage, and in order to commemorate the forthcoming coronation it was resolved, at a meeting held on the 29th of January, that an oak tree, distinguished by a plaque, should be planted in the grounds.

Royal Patronage

During the past twelve months there have been no additions to the group of buildings which now make up the Royal Albert Institution. They represent the growth and development of nearly seventy years, the foundation-stone of the original building having been laid in 1868. But this does not imply that there has been any relaxation on the part of the Committee, or that the demands upon the resources at their disposal have been any less urgent. During so long a period methods and ideas have changed, rendering necessary alterations and improvements which are essential if the Institution is to keep pace with modern progress. Not only is it expensive to bring up to date premises erected sixty or seventy years ago but the outlay upon inevitable renewals and repairs is also very heavy, and the Committee are now faced with expenditure in the directions indicated which may amount to a considerable sum. Recently they have spent more than £1,200 in rendering more satisfactory the system of central heating and in improving the ventilating arrangements;

Alterations

whilst £302 has been spent in modernising the dairy to meet the needs of the Institution, besides £206 upon lavatory improvements and £187 in improvement to the boiler furnaces.

Renewals

The Committee are now faced with the expenditure of £320 upon the renewal of the main steam-pipes running through the basement, with extensions to the Barlow Home, the Welch Home and the Rodgett Infirmary. Expenditure other than that of a strictly utilitarian nature also has to be incurred from time to time, and in this connection the Committee have to report the installation of wireless throughout the Institution, controlled by a central receiver with extensions to various departments, which is a recognised improvement on the previous system. The Winmarleigh Recreation Hall was equipped for the display of moving pictures several years ago, and both the films and the wireless are greatly appreciated by the inmates. The Committee feel that they have only to bring these facts to the attention of their subscribers to ensure the continuance of the generous support which has been forthcoming since the Royal Albert was first established, and for such support they have no hesitation in making a most earnest appeal.

Expenditure

This additional expenditure, combined with further advances in the prices of various necessaries, including such important items as coal and slack, flour and provisions in general, is responsible for a slight increase in the average cost of maintenance, which has risen during the year by about sixpence weekly for each inmate. Nevertheless the maintenance cost at the Royal Albert is still below the average cost in similar Institutions under the management of the Local Authorities of England and Wales, as shown by the costing returns issued by the Board of Control, so that the Committee consider they are entitled to claim that the Institution is run economically as well as efficiently. Subscribers can therefore feel that the best possible use is being made of their contributions.

Number of Inmates

The cost has also been adversely affected by the fact that during the year many patients chargeable to Mental Deficiency Committees in various parts of the associated area have been transferred elsewhere by Local Authorities who have now provided their own Institutions, and this process will no doubt continue in future years. There has been no difficulty in filling these vacancies from the Institution's

waiting list, but some delay was caused by the prevalence of scarlet-fever amongst the inmates, with the result that the average number resident during the past twelve months fell to 793, as against last year's figure of 801, the total expenditure consequently having to be spread over a smaller number.

Income

Still dealing with financial questions, the Committee have pleasure in reporting that the income of the Institution, both from voluntary and other sources, continues to be well maintained, the total receipts on Maintenance Account showing an increase of nearly £867. Particularly gratifying are the returns from annual subscriptions and donations, which have improved during the year by more than £129 and now amount to a total of £3,063. To this amount should be added £165 received in donations invested on Sustentation Account. The progressive advance in the receipts from investments is also very satisfactory, the income from this source having risen by more than £245 to close upon £12,505.

Legacies

The Institution continues to benefit substantially through the generosity of deceased benefactors, whose kindly remembrance of its needs is most gratefully appreciated. During the past twelve months a further £1,750 has been received under the will of the late Mr. Frederick Priestman, bringing the total so far received from this source up to £7,829 13s. 9d.; a bequest of £1,000 from the late Mr. W. W. Galloway, who was formerly the Chairman of the Preston Committee, has also been received, and a further £600 from the residuary estate of the late Mr. Isaac Dewhirst. An additional donation of £95 has also been given in remembrance of H.A.C., bringing the amount of these contributions to a total of £1,125.

Finances

Included amongst the financial details given on later pages is the customary analysis of the contributions in subscriptions, donations and legacies from each of the associated counties. Legacies are responsible for some of the larger fluctuations, but Yorkshire and Lancashire maintain their respective positions in the first and second places. Cheshire displaces Cumberland from the third position, whilst Northumberland takes a higher place, mainly as the result of one or two generous donations. Westmorland also sends in improved returns.

Ladies' Associations

The members of the various Ladies' Associations continue to do excellent work, and are most cordially thanked for their invaluable assistance. Despite growing difficulties caused by increased taxation and the multiplicity of urgent appeals for the support of necessitous charities in all parts of the associated area, the Institution's lady helpers, with the assistance of a few gentlemen who have also proved successful canvassers, have during the year obtained the substantial total of £1,928, or within £24 of the preceding year's level.

With this addition, the aggregate amount collected by these auxiliaries since the formation of the first Association at Durham in 1875 now for the first time exceeds £140,000, and the following particulars of the contributions obtained by each of the various Branches may therefore prove of special interest:

Aggregate Collections

Founded.		£	s	d.
1877	Manchester, Salford and South Lancashire...	25,571	7	11
1885	Cheshire	20,140	0	9
1875	Durham County	19,619	14	7
1877	Halifax District.....	17,414	2	4
1878	Cumberland	13,190	13	4
1883	Bradford and Craven District	9,644	14	0
1891	Westmorland	7,499	2	10
1898	Liverpool	5,480	18	0
1881	Leeds District	4,336	6	0
1878	York and North and East Ridings.....	4,331	19	1
1899	Huddersfield District	4,039	14	11
1904	Northumberland and Newcastle	3,398	11	1
1878	Southport District.....	2,467	0	3
1913	Lancaster	1,223	19	3
1912	North Lonsdale.....	1,148	19	3
1913	Blackburn	591	16	7
1913	Preston	347	14	7
1912	Sheffield and South Yorkshire	341	17	4
		£140,788	12	1

Hon. Officers and Collectors

Individual acknowledgment of the assistance rendered by the Hon. Officers and Collectors, who number about four hundred, will be found in the Local Subscription Lists, which give particulars of each collection and are now reprinted every other year. Alderman William Crossley (Treasurer of the Rochdale Committee) easily comes first with the exceptionally

large total of £309 for the past financial year. This included nearly £216 in donations resulting from the special appeal issued by him, and it brought the aggregate amount collected by him since 1924 to no less than £2,505, thus breaking the long-standing record of £2,500 made by the late Miss S. B. Rayner at Brighouse. Another large aggregate is that of Mrs. Lister Brook, who has since 1923 collected nearly £1,145 at Brighouse, whilst other ladies are approaching four figures. During the past twelve months twenty-two ladies and two gentlemen, who here receive special mention, have each collected not less than £15:

Individual Aggregates

	£	s.	d.
Alderman William Crossley, Rochdale	309	12	9
Mrs. Lister Brook, Brighouse	56	18	0
Mrs. Richard Redman, Hebden Bridge	46	15	6
Miss I. B. Thomson, Huddersfield	46	3	6
Lady Paton, Southport	40	6	6
Miss C. E. Mead, Otley	37	7	6
Miss C. Laing, Newcastle-on-Tyne	29	16	0
Mrs. J. Ropner, West Hartlepool	27	12	6
Mrs. H. Patchett, Cleckheaton	27	8	0
Mrs. J. W. Hedworth, Crewe	25	19	6
Mrs. F. Buckley, Rochdale	24	13	0
Mr. William Bell, Arnside	24	19	6
Miss A. Annandale, Lancaster	23	17	0
Mrs. J. T. T. Ramsay, Blackburn	22	1	0
Mrs. Pilkington Turner, Withington	22	0	0
Miss M. Pownall, Neston	20	6	6
Mrs. Blackett-Ord, Alnwick	19	14	0
Miss E. D. Mann, Windermere	19	13	0
Mrs. A. Farrar, Leeds	19	9	6
Mrs. T. L. E. Spilmont, Leeds	17	15	0
Mrs. Harold Mitchell, Bradford	17	5	0
Miss Beazley, Noctorum	17	4	0
Misses Hopkinson, Bury	16	19	0
Miss J. Wylie Gordon, Heswall	16	14	0

Visits

The Institution continues to be visited by parties of workers and subscribers, whose interest in its work is always greatly stimulated. For this reason such visits, especially during the summer months when the buildings and grounds can be seen to the best advantage, are welcomed by the Committee, who gladly do what they can to encourage them. They also have pleasure in acknowledging their indebtedness to the ladies and gentlemen by whom the following special efforts have been promoted in various districts:

Special Efforts

	£	s.	d.
Crewe Flower Day, April 30th, 1937 ..... *net*	39	18	3
Otley Congregational Church Mothers' Meeting, Whist-drives, Concert and Tea, 1936-37	28	17	6
Whist-drives at Sheffield, 1936-37, per Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Partridge.....	21	0	0
Whist-drives and Dance, 1937, per Mrs. Nield, Weaverham	12	10	0
Whist-drives at Crewe, 1936-37, per Mrs. Jepson and Mrs. Mills	8	10	0
Offertory at St. Michael-on-Wyre Parish Church, October, 1936, per the Vicar and Parochial Church Council	6	6	7
Whist-drives at Crewe, 1936-37, per Mrs. Hedworth	5	4	6
Crewe Secondary School Old Students' Associatlon Amateur Operatic Society, 1936	5	0	0
Salford City Police Concert Party, 1937.....	5	0	0
St. Paul's Church, Scotforth, Lancaster, 1936, per Parochial Church Council	2	2	0
St. Thomas' Church, Bedford Leigh, February, 1937, per the Rev. George Willett.....	2	2	0
Bury County Police Athletic Society : Part proceeds of Police Sports, 1937	2	0	0

Grateful reference must also be made to the valuable assistance rendered by the members of the County and Local Committees, as well as by the newspaper press of the seven northern counties, whilst the services of the Hon. Solicitors (Messrs. Gibson & Sturton) are always deserving of special acknowledgment.

Changes

The vacancies which have occurred during the year in the ranks of the voluntary workers have been mainly due to retirement, but death has unfortunately removed two of the Royal Albert's oldest friends in the Right Rev. Bishop Welldon, Chairman of the Durham Committee from 1913 to 1933, and Dr. W. S. Paget-Tomlinson, who joined the Central Committee in 1892 as a Westmorland representative. The Committee also regret to have to record the deaths of the Right Hon. Lord Cawley of Prestwich, who became one of their Manchester colleagues in 1924, the Right Rev. Bishop Frodsham, one of their Halifax supporters, and Dr. James McNidder, who had served since 1908 as Hon. Secretary of the Hull Committee. Death has also deprived the Ladies' Associations of some well-known workers in Lady Horsfall, Bradford, who had collected £282 since 1915, Mrs. John Tipton, President of the Wirral Association (£240 from 1886

to 1930), Miss Dewhurst, Bradford (£187 since 1897), Miss E. A. Kent, who had collected at Wallasey since 1924 and whose retirement was mentioned last year, and Mrs. H. A. Heywood, of Christleton, who had served on the Committee of the Cheshire Association since 1919.

The losses due to retirement are almost too numerous for detailed mention, and are the more regrettable because they include some of the Institution's best friends and keenest workers.

Retirements and Appointments

As announced last year, Lady Lane has been unable to continue the Hon. Secretaryship and Treasurership of the Cheshire Association, but her duties have been taken over by Miss Gina Barbour, who continues a long-standing family interest in the work of the Institution. Miss A. M. Somervell, of Windermere, who has long acted as District Treasurer in connection with the Westmorland Association, has unfortunately been unable to continue her duties in that capacity, and has been succeeded by Mrs. Haworth, Ambleside; Mrs. McLean, who is leaving the district, has handed over the Treasurership of the Stockton-on-Tees Association to Mrs. Robert Thompson, who had previously acted in the same capacity; and Miss Colvin succeeds Miss Appleyard in the Treasurership of the Liverpool Association; whilst Mrs. Wilkinson replaces Mrs. Blomfield as Treasurer of the Pontefract Association. The County and Local Committees lose two of their Hon. Officers through the retirement of Mr. H. E. D. Abbott, who has acted as Treasurer of the Cheshire Committee ever since 1922, and Mr. Isaac Clegg, Hon. Secretary of the Rochdale Committee since 1927, who has been succeeded by Mr. J. Wilson. Rochdale also loses a member of the Central Committee in Miss H. C. Brierley, who retires after 15 years' service. Amongst the more successful Collectors who are unable to continue their assistance are Mrs. Richard Redman, Hebden Bridge (£493 since 1925), Miss Jean Crook, Bolton (£398 since 1910), and Hon. Secretary of the Bolton Ladies' Association for fifteen years, Miss E. D. Mann, Windermere (£316 since 1923), Miss Bleckly, Altrincham (£173 since 1918), and Miss U. M. Feilden, Bebington (£151 since 1916).

Other retirements, also mentioned with regret and with cordial thanks for services rendered, are those of Miss Birbeck

(Egremont), Miss Cator (Brancepeth), Mrs. Dauber (Thornthwaite), Mrs. H. Fowlds (Keighley), Miss M. Freeman (Ormskirk), Mrs. Rhodes (St. Bees), Mrs. E. Smith (Middleton), Mrs. H. Smith (Heaton Mersey) and Miss K. Speakman (Atherton).

Central Committee

Turning to the appointments, the Committee welcome most gratefully the assistance rendered by many fresh helpers, in addition to those already mentioned. Their ranks have been strengthened by the addition of three local representatives in Lady Openshaw and Mr. Cuthbert Pyke, of Preston, and Mr. Wm. A. Ledgard, of Leeds, thus helping to make good the losses to which reference has already been made; whilst the list of new Collectors includes the names of Mrs. Ainley (Crosland Moor), Miss M. F. Ashton (Luddendenfoot), Mrs. Aspinall (Aughton), Mrs. H. B. Avery (Middleton), Mr. Richard Brown (Rhos-on-Sea), Miss M. G. Clegg (Windermere), Mrs. H. Cloughley (Heaton Mersey), Mrs. Conway (Gainford), Miss Coverdale (Brancepeth), Mrs. L. Dean (New Mill), Mrs. Dixon (Thornthwaite), Miss Ferguson (Gosforth), Miss M. E. Hall (Seaham), Miss M. Horsfall (Crosshills), Mrs. L. Johnson (Middleton), Miss H. Macdonald (Lancaster), Mrs. D. Moorcroft (Levenshulme), Miss A. G. Pyle (Whickham), Mrs. A. C. Rushworth (Todmorden), Mrs. J. Smith (St. Bees), Mrs. J. Stockdale (Silloth) and Miss Threlfall (Sedgefield).

New Collectors

Secretary

This report would not be complete without an expression of the Committee's grateful appreciation of the services of Mr. Keir as their Secretary for 32 years. He has faithfully discharged his duties over this long period and retired on the 30th of June last. He will be very much missed, not only by the various Committees which meet at the Institution, but also by a wide circle of collectors and friends of the Institution, for he has regularly visited every part of our large area. As a mark of personal esteem, quite apart from financial arrangements made for him on his retirement, the members of the Central Committee, through their Chairman, will take the opportunity of the Annual Meeting to be held in Preston on the 15th of October to make a presentation to Mr. Keir with their best wishes for his future happiness.

Presentation

They also hope that all subscribers and friends will extend to his successor the same kindly reception always awarded to Mr. Keir. It is not an easy undertaking to

follow anyone who has spent the best part of his life in the Institution's service, particularly when he comes amongst supporters as a stranger for the first time.

Staff

To Dr. Henderson, our esteemed Medical Superintendent, his Assistants, and to all the members of the Staff, and particularly that of the Office during the change over, the Committee express their thanks for loyal co-operation.

Newcastle Meeting

Last year's annual general meeting, held at Newcastle on the 16th of October, attracted a very good attendance, amongst those present, in addition to the Right Hon. Lord Richard Cavendish, who presided in his capacity as Chairman of the Central Committee, being his Grace the Duke of Northumberland (President of the Northumberland Committee) and Sir Ralph Mortimer (Chairman), the Deputy Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress (Ald. and Mrs. W. Taylor), the City Sheriff and Lady Sheriff (Councillor and Mrs. Wallace), the High Sheriff of Northumberland (Capt. A. W. Milburn) and the Vicar of Gateshead (Rev. Canon Stephenson), whilst the Central Committee were well represented by Mr. Richard Smith (Vice-Chairman) and several other members. In the unavoidable absence of the Lord Mayor, the chair at the subsequent public meeting was taken by his Deputy (Ald. Taylor), who said he could speak from practical and personal knowledge of the Institution. Not only were the buildings beautiful but the work done therein was impressive, and they in Northumberland would not be backward in doing what they could to further such a splendid cause, since the results achieved had certainly been well worth while. Stressing the fact that the Royal Albert was essentially a voluntary and charitable Institution, Lord Richard Cavendish said that it was originally founded with the idea of providing for the care, instruction and training of the feeble-minded children of the seven northern counties. They were then doing pioneer work, breaking fresh ground in the wilderness, and the founders could hardly have foreseen that within seventy years the Institution established by them at Lancaster would develop into the wonderfully large concern of to-day:

Chairman

Many noble benefactions had enabled additions to be made to the original buildings, until they actually had available more accommodation than their voluntary funds enabled them to deal with. In fact, if the income were increased they could admit forty or fifty additional patients, and he had no hesitation in saying that for many years to come the necessity for places like the Royal Albert would continue to exist.

By subscribing to such an Institution their money was being given in support of one of the most deserving causes they could possibly know. The number of people who inspected the work year by year was probably larger than in the case of any comparable Institution. First there were the Commissioners of the Board of Control, who at entirely unexpected intervals visited and inspected the Royal Albert. It was a matter of great pride to all concerned, and certainly to the Central Committee, that for many years past the reports of the Commissioners had been uniformly satisfactory and their praise almost flattering. When it was remembered that the business of the Commissioners was to criticise and suggest improvements where desirable, that was a very good record indeed. The Local Authorities who sent patients were also under obligation to visit their cases periodically, and judging from their written reports they were more than satisfied with the way their charges were looked after. Evidence of wonderful appreciation was also contained in the letters received from parents who had children in the Institution. The atmosphere of the Royal Albert might be summed up in the word happiness. There was a general feeling of cheeriness about the staff and patients, and there seemed to be a general determination on the part of all concerned to try to render the lives of these unfortunate children a little brighter than they would be otherwise. He had no hesitation in appealing to them most earnestly to see to it that this good work was continued. He wished to stress the gratitude they felt towards their lady helpers. Their assistance in getting in subscriptions was of great value, and he asked those present to do what they could to further their efforts.

Meetings

Before the meetings thirty of the ladies and gentlemen taking part in the proceedings were entertained to a civic luncheon at the Mansion House. The Committee also have pleasure in acknowledging similar hospitality in connection with meetings held during April at Leeds, York, Rochdale, Southport and Liverpool, the hosts on these occasions being the Chairman of the Yorkshire Committee (Mr. W. A. Brigg), the Chairman of the Liverpool Committee (Major P. R. England), the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress of York, and the Mayors and Mayoresses of Rochdale and Southport. The meeting at Southport brought a generous donation of £300 from the Trustees of the Skelton Bounty, covering the cost of the dairy extension. Successful meetings of a similar character were also held at Chester, Manchester and Crewe.

Donation

Preston Meeting

Very likely Preston's nearness to Lancaster is responsible for the fact that it has so seldom been visited by the Central Committee on important occasions, since they have usually selected places where the Royal Albert's work is presumably not so well known. The Preston and Fylde Association was established at a meeting held in the Town Hall in 1913, but one has to go back to 1882 for the previous visit, which was in celebration of the opening of the Rodgett

Infirmary, towards the cost of which Mr. and Mrs. E. Rodgett, of Preston, gave a munificent donation of £5,000. The Committee therefore had no hesitation in accepting an invitation to revisit Preston in connection with this year's annual general meeting, which is to be held there on the 15th of October. They have an old friend in the Chairman of the Preston Committee (Mr. A. W. Wilson), who has had distinguished predecessors in the Ven. Archdeacon Hornby and Mr. W. W. Galloway. Mr. Galloway was not only a generous subscriber, but it will be seen from the annual accounts that he left the Institution a duty-free bequest of £1,000. The Hon. Secretary of the Local Committee is Mr. J. W. Wilson, who succeeded the late Dr. Collinson in that capacity.

Legacy

Election of Patients

The whole of the fifty-six candidates at this year's election of patients were accepted by the Central Committee on the 28th of May, increasing to no fewer than 2,496 the number of inmates received through the votes of the subscribers during the past sixty-seven years, or more than half of the total number of 4,878 so far dealt with. Thirty-six of the applicants were from Lancashire, nine from Yorkshire, five from Durham, three from Cumberland and one each from Westmorland, Northumberland and Cheshire. As always, there were many urgent cases, twenty-two of the candidates being either fatherless or motherless, whilst three had lost both parents. The maintenance of these elected patients naturally adds greatly to the heavy demands upon the resources, thus lending weight to the Committee's earnest appeal for adequate support. There were on the books at the end of March the names of 789 patients, of whom 333 were from Yorkshire, 232 from Lancashire, 81 from Durham, 64 from Cheshire, 34 from Cumberland, 16 from Westmorland, 9 from Northumberland and 20 from counties not included in the associated area.

Extension of Term

Every year numbers of patients who have had the benefit of the usual election term of seven years are retained by the Committee for extended periods, their discharge for one reason or another being considered inadvisable. That this concession is greatly appreciated will be seen from the following extracts from letters received from parents and relatives:

I am in receipt of your letter, and wish to thank the Committee and all connected with the Royal Albert for the great kindness they have done me by retaining my daughter for a further term. I am more than

grateful to all concerned, for I realise that she will be under safe keeping for at least another three years. I am at home again out of health, but am improving and hope that I'll soon be able to go to work.—*June 2nd, 1937.*

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favour informing me of my brother's re-election for a further period of three years as an inmate of your Institution. I tender my grateful thanks to your Central Committee and all others who have shown such kind consideration and made this possible. My sister and myself know well the care and attention the Institution so ungrudgingly gives to all its patients, and the thought that Sidney is re-elected gives us great happiness.—*June 2nd, 1937.*

I write to thank you and your Committee for re-electing my son for a further term. It has most certainly taken a great load off my mind to think that he will have the great care and attention for at least three years to come that has been bestowed on him in the past. I wish the Institution every success in the future, and if I can do anything for the benefit of so magnificent a place I shall gladly do so.—*June 14th, 1937.*

Board of Control

Two of the Board of Control's Commissioners visited the Institution on the 16th and 17th of June, and the careful nature of their inspection is obvious from the various suggestions contained in their detailed Report. The appended extracts deal with some of the newer developments:

The four-weekly dietary shown to us represents a well-balanced and ample diet. Fresh fruit in season is supplied and the farm produces a good supply of excellent milk. The dairy has recently had a new steriliser and additional premises.

A new wireless system has been fitted to all wards in the main building; it is operated from a central set.

A troop of scouts has been in existence some two years under a male Attendant. They number only eight to-day, but it is hoped to increase the strength and to introduce a camp. It is also proposed to form a company of girl guides.

We were given a demonstration of physical exercises for both men and women. The two classes for men—there are several classes—consisted of the best and the worst patients. We consider that the Instructor is to be highly complimented on the results obtained, particularly with the lowest grade. The women's class was also very satisfactory, considering that it had only been in existence for three months. Gymnasium dress is supplied for the women and we hope suitable equipment will shortly be provided for the men, not only because it is more comfortable but also because the dress is likely to make these exercises more popular.

Besides these statutory inspections, official visits are frequently received from Local Authorities under the Mental Deficiency Act as well as from Public Assistance Committees. Appreciative records are often made on these occasions, as will be seen from the following quotations, which are supplemented

by a selection from the letters from parents and relatives which are constantly being received at the Institution:

I find my boy Frank very much improved, both in health and mentally. Also he talks a lot better and plainer, and shows in every way the benefit he has gained by being at the Royal Albert Institution.—*August 21st, 1937.*

Visited our Sheffield patients, male and female. I found them all well and happy. They were well dressed. I saw them at work and at their meals which were well served and attractive.—*Sheffield Deficiency Committee, April 11th, 1937.*

I find Jean much improved in health, speech and habits. I am very satisfied with the progress she has made during the last twelve months and must congratulate all at the Royal Albert who have been responsible in bringing about these improvements.—*August 16th, 1937.*

We found the patients happy and well cared for and the staff most attentive. We were pleased with the arrangements for training the inmates. Everything beautifully clean and orderly and the patients happy and contented.—*Bolton Public Assistance Committee, September 3rd, 1936.*

We find a general improvement. He is quiet, more sensible and appears to have lost all his mischievous ways. Seems more self-reliant. During the month he has been home he has not been the slightest trouble, being more obedient. We are more than satisfied he is in good hands.—*August 29th, 1937.*

We think our daughter is improving very much ; she is becoming a well-behaved young woman, and all the people with whom she has come in contact while on holiday are struck with the improvement she has made while she has been at the Institution, and we are very grateful to you and the Matron and all the staff for what has been done for her.—*August 25th, 1937.*

We have to-day visited the West Riding patients in the Institution and found them well and happy. We have been very well satisfied with all we have seen, and have every confidence in the care and training which is being provided for our patients. We were particularly pleased to note the happy relationship between the patients and all members of the staff.—*West Riding Deficiency Committee, May 6th, 1937.*

We are very pleased to say that we notice a very decided improvement in John since our holiday last year. All his friends in the village—where we have spent our holidays for some years—have remarked upon the same thing, particularly in his speech. We feel sure this is the result of the best and patient methods of the Royal Albert Institution, for which we are very grateful. His physical condition is splendid.—*August 30th, 1937.*

The members of the Prescot Guardians Committee visited the Institution to-day for the purpose of interviewing the patients admitted from Area 12. They appeared to be physically fit, happy and well cared for, and the members of the Deputation were satisfied that everything possible was being done for their welfare. Thanks are due to the Medical Superintendent and his staff for their courtesy.—*Prescot Guardians Committee, July 2nd, 1937.*

Concluding Appeal

The Committee therefore endorse most earnestly their Chairman's appeal for the generous support required to enable them to continue without impairment their efforts to ameliorate the lot of one of the most unfortunate and helpless classes of the community. Their first consideration is the health and happiness of the inmates and the preservation of their individuality and family associations. That these aims are fully achieved is shown by the cheerful readiness with which the patients return to the Royal Albert on the expiration of their annual leave, as well as by the demeanour of those whose relatives or friends are unable to have them at home for the customary month's holiday. There is nothing in the shape of uniform dress, and every endeavour is made to avoid the ordinary Institutional atmosphere and to find useful and interesting occupation for those who are passing or have passed through the usual school curriculum. Nor in all this is recreation overlooked. The outdoor games include cricket and football, whilst indoors the inmates are amused by music, dancing and wireless, and by entertainments and the exhibition of suitable films in the Winmarleigh Recreation Hall. A well-known author who went round the various departments wrote that he "had been so solemnly impressed that he found the utmost difficulty in setting down any definite account of those impressions." He added: "The heroic patience, manifested by its definite fruitage on every side, the truly sacred character of the work performed, the magnificent administration also manifested by the perfect order, regularity and peace all round—these things strike my heart and dim my eyes. Here is worked the work of the Master, the liberation of the captive mind, the healing of the bruised, stunted brain, and the giving of sight to the blind heart." The Committee feel that they cannot do better than commend these words to the sympathetic consideration of their friends throughout the seven associated northern counties.

RICHARD F. CAVENDISH,

CHAIRMAN.

MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Central Committee of the Royal Albert Institution.

My Lord, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present for your consideration the Report of the Medical Superintendent for 1936-37.

Discharges

Since my last Report many patients have been removed to Institutions provided by Local Authorities in various parts of the north of England. This is no doubt more convenient for the Local Authorities concerned, but whether it is an economic procedure I very much doubt and in many cases I am sure it is not to the advantage of the patients, especially when they have been so long with us that the Royal Albert is the only home they can remember. In addition to the increase in the number of discharges, there have been more deaths than usual, so that it is a matter of congratulation that the number on the books, as I write, is still 800.

Deaths

The causes of death are shown in the following table:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Heart Disease	3	1	4
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	3	0	3
Pneumonia	1	1	2
Acute Bronchitis	0	1	1
Influenza.....	1	0	1
Acute Pancreatitis.....	1	0	1
Acute Nephritis...	1	0	1
Septic Meningitis	1	0	1
Congenital dilatation of the Colon...	0	1	1
Total...	11	4	15

The wet summer and the long cold winter were contributing factors in the six cases in which the cause of death was disease of the lungs. Seven of the fifteen patients who died were of the mongolian type, whose hold on life is always precarious. One of these "mongols" was aged 61 years when he died—a great age for one of this type and the oldest of whom I can find any record in the books of the Institution. Although the expectation of life of all mental defectives is

less than normal, an exception which proves the rule is a female patient who was admitted into the Royal Albert in 1872 and is still with us—aged 77 years.

Infectious Outbreak

Twenty-one patients and three members of the staff were infected by scarlet fever last autumn. Although the number was not great, the cases were spread over a period of three months, causing a considerable amount of disorganisation in the Schools and Workshops. There were also two cases of diphtheria among the junior girls.. All these cases recovered and in order to try to prevent a recurrence of these diseases, steps are being taken to immunise all patients and staff who are found, by test, to be susceptible to diphtheria or scarlet fever. So far, of those subjected to the Schick test 22 per cent. have been found to be susceptible and all these, with the exception of one patient whose parents refused consent, have been immunised against diphtheria.

One or two cases of chicken-pox and of erysipelas also occurred. Between the middle of January and the end of February, 197 patients and 34 members of the staff were attacked by influenza. Although all recovered except one old and frail patient, the exceptionally cold weather in February and March greatly prolonged convalescence in many cases.

Epilepsy

The treatment of cases of epilepsy with Prominal, mentioned in my last Report, has been continued with very gratifying results in many cases; the number of fits of the thirteen cases treated with this preparation has been reduced by sixty-seven per cent.

A brother and sister—aged 16 and 19 years respectively—recently admitted, are both of the mongolian type. This is very unusual as only rarely does more than one mental defective of this type occur in a family.

Christmas Festivities

Owing to the occurrence of scarlet-fever at Christmas, no relatives or friends could be invited to the Christmas Tree or to see the decorations in the various departments and Homes. Apart from this the usual tea-parties, dances and entertainments took place. On Christmas-eve, Santa Claus called and filled the stockings of many of the younger patients, while on Christmas Day he and his retinue visited all departments at dinner-time. For many years it has been the custom at the Rodgett Infirmary to give those who have helped with the decorations there, a little extra for supper on Christmas-eve.

This has now grown into a Café Chantant, for which invitations are eagerly sought, and numerous songs, recitations and speeches are provided by the patients, while the nursing staff act as waitresses.

Wireless

After nearly twelve months' almost constant use, the wireless installation is as popular as ever and a breakdown in this would be much more serious—from the patients' point of view—than one in the commissariat department. Never was the "wireless" more welcome than on Coronation Day. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, it was not possible for patients to be out of doors, but the day passed very happily. In the morning, everyone listened-in to the ceremony which was broadcast from London, and in the afternoon, all enjoyed a most amusing Revue given in the Winmarleigh Hall by members of the staff. Special tea-parties were provided for all and Coronation souvenirs in the form of medals, cups and saucers and handkerchiefs were given to all those who could appreciate such tokens. The Sports which had been arranged for that day were held later and, as the tea-parties were repeated then, many patients realised that a cold and wet Coronation Day has its advantages.

Entertainments

In addition to the parties of visitors mentioned in your Lordship's Report, we have had several visits from doctors and others interested in mental deficiency. One such visitor who called recently, is engaged as a psychologist by the Mental Deficiency Authority of the State of California, U.S.A.

Dietary

To live in an Institution is to realise how dependent one is on the humble potato—no lad over the age of 6 or 7 thinks he has had a real dinner unless he has a large helping of potatoes. Attempts to vary the dietary by the substitution of parsnips, artichokes or other vegetables for even a small part of the potato "ration" have never been a success. In the same way fish is not acceptable as an article of diet unless fried. This naturally restricts the choice in diets, but nevertheless a well-balanced and varied diet is served daily.

Because their work is largely unseen, one is apt to forget what we owe to the cook and her helpers, who prepare 2,000 meals every day of the year; likewise, few realise the work done in the laundry, where nearly 20,000 articles are washed every week.

Schools

The work in the schools and the industrial classes on the girls' side is maintained at the high level of former years by Mrs. Cooke and her assistant teachers. We welcome, as Assistant Headmistress, Miss Royston, who has had experience in the training of mental defectives both in this country and abroad. While every endeavour is made to teach the "three R's" in the schools, greater attention is paid to manual work—with what success can be seen in the finished articles always on view at the Institution. Two of the newest occupations are "Cloisamel" and painting on glass-ware, but stamen jewellery, crushed-paper work and pottery oils are still popular, in addition to lace-work and embroidery, raffia and sewing of all kinds. In the boys' workshops the industries, although perhaps not so attractive to the eye, are no less useful, and the ingenuity and perseverance of many of the boys is always a cause of admiration to visitors and a credit to those instructing them.

Special Class

In the school cookery class, the younger ones are taught not only cooking but weighing and measuring, and also how to clean up afterwards. It is a rule that all food made in this class must be eaten by the pupils, and it is greatly to the credit of teachers and pupils that so far this has not added to the work of the Medical Officers.

Walks and Games

Whenever opportunity occurs in the summer, parties of patients are sent for drives, walks and picnics into the country or to the seaside, while in the winter, in addition to our own weekly dance and cinema entertainment, many attend performances at the theatres and cinemas in Lancaster and Morecambe. These are some of the ways in which the higher grade patients are enabled to keep in touch with the outside world to which some of them may return after a period of training in the Institution. So many senior girls now play tennis that last Whitsuntide the first tennis tournament was held—another popular game with the girls is rounders—while the boys are still enthusiastic about the Cricket and Football Leagues and cup-ties.

Scouts

The Scouts made a very successful first public appearance at a Scouts' Sports Meeting at Morecambe—they were presented with a Cup by a lady who was present and of which they are naturally very proud, but no less pleasing were the favourable comments on their good behaviour and smart appearance.

Mental Health Work

Only a few years ago it was difficult to find anyone interested in the backward or difficult child. Of late years there has been such an increase in Societies and individual workers in these branches of social service that there is much danger of overlapping. In an endeavour to remedy this a Committee, of which Lord Feversham is the Chairman, is trying to find a basis for the unification or centralisation of such Societies. In regard to the individual, the danger is more of isolation—that is working in water-tight compartments. The Mental Health Workers' Association is trying to remedy this by forming local branches where all those engaged in mental health work of any kind may meet to discuss their difficulties and to exchange experiences. To inaugurate a North Western branch, a meeting, at which over sixty people interested in mental health were present, was held recently at the Royal Albert Institution.

Medical Officers

I am glad to be able to report that, apart from the resignation of Mr. S. Keir, to which your Lordship has referred, there has been only one change among the officials since my last report. Dr. A. S. Walker has left to take up general practice and has been succeeded by Dr. R. Lawrie, L.D.S. It is not necessary for me to say what a great advantage it is to have a Medical Officer who is also a qualified dentist, and I am pleased to say Dr. Lawrie is proving an enthusiastic and pleasant colleague. To my senior assistant, Dr. W. Graham, I am very grateful for his ever ready co-operation and especially for his help in connection with the immunisation of the patients and staff against diphtheria and scarlet fever.

Matron and Assistants

Only those who have had experience of Institution life know how much of the happiness of patients *and* staff depends upon the tact and efficiency of the Matron, and I am very grateful to Miss Collingwood for her never failing help and support. The numerous discharges and admissions all mean much extra work in many departments, but especially does this apply to the Chief Attendant, the Assistant Matron, and their assistants—to them, and to the Charge Nurses and Attendants, great credit is due for the way new patients settle down so soon after admission.

After attending lectures by the Medical Officers, and practical tuition by Miss Black (Matron) and Miss Phillipson

Nursing Staff

(Assistant Matron) at the Rodgett Infirmary, many nurses and attendants have passed the examination for proficiency in the training of mental defectives. At present, 26 hold the certificate of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association, while this year 19 are attending the lectures and practical classes. During April and May, more than fifty members of the staff attended a course of eight lectures and demonstrations in air raid precautions given at the Institution by Dr. Challoner, a lecturer specially appointed by the Home Office.

Stores and Offices

With as little disturbance as possible of the routine of the Institution, all necessary repairs and renewals are efficiently carried out under the supervision of the Clerk of Works, Mr. F. W. Leach, while in any change in dietary, clothing or furnishing I can always rely on the whole-hearted support of the Steward, Mr. A. E. Sutcliffe, and his deputy, Mr. W. Gunson. In my office, I am happy still to have the most efficient assistance of Miss Lyon.

I offer to Charge-Nurse Elizabeth Hayton my heartiest congratulations for having completed her fiftieth year in the service of the Institution.

Retirements

After many years' faithful and devoted service, we are shortly to say good-bye to several members of the staff—H. Wild (printer), C Altham (butcher) and E. Bradford (hair-dresser). To them I wish happiness and health in their well-earned retirement, and hope that their successors will carry on their work with the same devotion to duty from which springs "The Royal Albert Spirit" of service before self.

Central Committee

To you, my Lord, and to all Members of the Committee, I offer my grateful thanks for your support and encouragement on all occasions.

I am,

My Lord, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

C. J. HENDERSON,
Medical Superintendent.

September 10th, 1937.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

82, Church Street,

LANCASTER.

I have examined the accounts of the Royal Albert Institution for the year ended 31st March, 1937, as herein set forth, with the books and vouchers of the Institution. I have obtained all the information and explanations I have required. In my opinion such accounts are correct according to the best of my information and the explanations given to me and as shown by the books of the Institution.

I have seen the deeds of the property of the Institution and have verified the securities representing the Sustentation and the Sinking Funds.

HARRY CROSS, A.C.A.,

Auditor.

29th July, 1937.

MAINTENANCE

Dr. *From April 1st, 1936,*

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Cash in hand				105	0	0
Payments for Patients :						
From Local and other Statutory Authorities	35,813	4	7			
From Private Sources	8,018	6	11			
Annual Subscriptions	2,725	19	0			
Donations...	337	1	9			
Interest on Sustentation Fund Investments ...	12,492	11	1			
Income from Joseph Nutter's Gift	12	6	2			
Rent	423	8	0			
Bank Interest	232	12	8			
				60,055	10	2
Farm and Garden Account :						
Produce sold	926	13	4			
Produce supplied to the Institution	6,635	16	0			
				7,562	9	4
Balance due to Bank, March 31st, 1937				5,057	9	7
				£72,780	**9**	**1**

Examined and found correct.—July 29th, 1937.

HARRY CROSS, Chartered Accountant, Lancaster.

ACCOUNT.

to March 31st, 1937. **Cr.**

Payments.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Balance due to Bank, April 1st, 1936		4,070 14 0
Salaries and Wages (including Medical Attendance)	23,232 15 10	
Superannuation Payments	2,829 19 6	
Provisions	11,035 2 2	
Uniforms and Patients' Clothing	2,448 11 4	
Medical Requisites and Drugs	321 9 1	
Furniture and Bedding	1,149 14 11	
Fuel, Lighting and Water	6,052 19 10	
Washing and Cleaning Articles and other Necessaries	515 17 0	
Travelling Expenses and Conveyance and Removal of Patients	154 2 7	
Books, Postage, Printing, Stationery, Advertisements, etc.	751 5 11	
Rates, Taxes and Insurance	1,618 4 4	
Maintenance and Repairs of Buildings and Machinery	1,253 14 6	
		51,363 17 0
Charges for Land and Buildings:		
Structural Improvements, Additions and Alterations	140 7 4	
Sinking Fund Repayments:		
Cavendish Reception House	464 7 4	
Rodgett Infirmary Extension	569 19 8	
Heating and Lighting Installation	498 7 0	
Welch Home	672 6 7	
Barlow Home	642 9 3	
General	267 9 11	
Lathom House	146 0 2	
Transfer to Sinking Fund	250 0 0	
		3,651 7 3
Farm and Garden Account:		
Wages	1,644 3 8	
Live Stock purchased	2,057 2 5	
Provender, Seeds and Manure	1,970 11 11	
Other Items...	417 12 10	
		6,089 10 10
Transfer to Sustentation Fund Account		7,500 0 0
Cash in hand		105 0 0
		£72,780 9 1

Signed on behalf of the Central Committee:

RICHARD F. CAVENDISH, *Chairman.*
RICHARD SMITH, *Chairman of Finance Committee.*
SAMUEL KEIR, *Secretary.*

EXTENSIONS AND IM-

Dr. *From April 1st, 1936,*

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.
Balance, April 1st, 1936	5,598	14	5
Cavendish Reception House: Fourteenth Sinking Fund Repayment	464	7	4
Open-air School: Thirteenth Sinking Fund Repayment	54	16	0
North Wing Verandah: Eleventh Sinking Fund Repayment ...	84	7	8
Rodgett Infirmary Extensions: Tenth Sinking Fund Repayment	569	19	8
Electric and Heating Plant: Ninth Sinking Fund Repayment ...	312	4	7
Welch Home: Eighth Sinking Fund Repayment...	672	6	7
Barlow Home: Fifth Sinking Fund Repayment	642	9	3
Fire Escape Staircase: Fifth Sinking Fund Repayment	15	7	0
Dynamo and Switchboard: Fourth Sinking Fund Repayment ...	186	2	5
Lathom House: Second Sinking Fund Repayment	146	0	2
Heating and Ventilating Plant: First Sinking Fund Repayment	77	11	10
Lavatory Improvements: First Sinking Fund Repayment... ...	13	8	4
Boiler Furnaces Renewal: First Sinking Fund Repayment ...	12	3	11
Dairy Enlargement: First Sinking Fund Repayment	9	15	2
Bank Interest *less* Commission	64	14	0
	£8,924	**8**	**4**

Examined and found correct.—July 29th, 1937.

HARRY CROSS, Chartered Accountant, Lancaster.

SUSTENTATION FUND

Dr. *From April 1st, 1936,*

Receipts.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balance, April 1st, 1936				8,982	16	0
Legacies	3,350	0	0			
Donations	165	0	0			
Mortgage Repaid	200	0	0			
Land and Buildings Sold...	1,926	4	0			
				5,641	4	0
Transfer from Maintenance Account				7,500	0	0
				£22,124	**0**	**0**

Examined and found correct.—July 29th, 1937.

HARRY CROSS, Chartered Accountant, Lancaster.

PROVEMENTS ACCOUNT.

to March 31st, 1937. **Cr.**

Payments.

	£	s.	d.
Lathom House	339	7	9
Ventilating Plant	596	16	0
Heating Improvements	460	0	0
Lavatory Improvements	206	5	5
Boiler Furnaces Renewal	187	10	0
Dairy Enlargement	150	0	0
Balance at Bank, March 31st, 1937	6,984	9	2
	£8,924	**8**	**4**

Signed on behalf of the Central Committee:

RICHARD F. CAVENDISH, *Chairman.*
RICHARD SMITH, *Chairman of Finance Committee.*
SAMUEL KEIR, *Secretary.*

ANNUAL ACCOUNT.

to March 31st, 1937. **Cr.**

Payments.

	£	s.	d.
Investments:			
£10,000 3¼ per cent. Central Electricity Board Stock	9,942	5	6
£10,000 3½ per cent. New Zealand Government Stock ...	10,150	12	0
Balance at Bank, March 31st, 1937	2,031	2	6
	£22,124	**0**	**0**

Signed on behalf of the Central Committee:

RICHARD F. CAVENDISH, *Chairman.*
RICHARD SMITH, *Chairman of Finance Committee.*
SAMUEL KEIR, *Secretary.*

ANALYSIS of INCOME from VOLUNTARY SOURCES:

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1937.

Counties.	Maintenance Account.		Sustentation Fund Account.		Total.
	Annual Subscriptions.	Donations.	Legacies.	Donations.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Yorkshire	709 19 8	16 0 6	2350 0 0	95 0 0	3171 0 2
Lancashire	1166 8 4	286 9 3	1000 0 0	... ...	2452 17 7
Cheshire.....	299 11 8	14 13 0	... ...	... ...	314 4 8
Northumberland	100 5 0	8 12 0	... ...	70 0 0	178 17 0
Westmorland ...	168 16 7	5 15 0	... ...	... ...	174 11 7
Durham	161 17 8	3 9 6	... ...	... ...	165 7 2
Cumberland	119 0 1	2 2 6	... ...	... ...	121 2 7
	2725 19 0	337 1 9	3350 0 0	165 0 0	6578 0 9

AMOUNTS collected by LADIES' ASSOCIATIONS:

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1937.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
MANCHESTER & SOUTH LANCASHIRE:			
Manchester and Salford	125 6 6		
Bury Branch.....	60 1 0		
Rochdale Branch	44 15 6		
Warrington Branch.....	36 7 11		
Bolton Branch	31 15 6		
Wigan Branch	18 14 0		
Burnley Branch	16 6 6		
Oldham Branch	7 1 0		
Ashton and Leigh Branches	3 18 6		
		344 6 5	
SOUTHPORT		92 12 6	
LIVERPOOL		77 6 6	
LANCASTER		73 1 5	
NORTH LONSDALE		37 18 6	
BLACKBURN		22 1 0	
PRESTON		12 10 0	
Total of Lancashire Collections...			659 16 4
HALIFAX		201 12 6	
HUDDERSFIELD		94 15 9	
BRADFORD		84 18 6	
LEEDS		44 5 6	
SHEFFIELD and SOUTH YORKSHIRE ...		36 14 0	
YORK, THIRSK and N. and E. RIDINGS		26 1 0	
Total of Yorkshire Collections ...			488 7 3
CHESHIRE			285 13 2
DURHAM			154 17 2
WESTMORLAND			148 0 1
CUMBERLAND			108 17 1
NORTHUMBERLAND and NEWCASTLE...			83 7 6
Total Collection for 1936-37			£1,928 18 7

STATISTICS AS TO PATIENTS.

ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES AND DEATHS, Dec. 14th, 1870, to March 31st, 1937:

Admissions...		4859
Discharges...	3100	
Deaths	970	
In Institution on March 31st, 1937	789	
		4859

RESULTS OF TRAINING of all Discharged Patients:

Much improved	... ...	815	or	26·30	per cent.
Moderately improved	*Relieved* ...	809	or	26·10	,,
Slightly improved	... ...	752	or	24·25	,,
		2376	or	76·65	,,
Not improved...		724	or	23·35	,,
Total...		3100	or	100·00	

ANNUAL SUMMARY:

	Males.	Females.	Total.
In the Institution, March 31st, 1936	532	280	812
Admitted	36	11	47
Discharged	47	8	55
Died	11	4	15
Aggregate number	568	291	859
Maximum number	537	280	817
Daily average	519	280	799
In the Institution, March 31st, 1937	510	279	789

CONDITION OF PATIENTS discharged during the year:

		Males.	Females.	Total.
Much improved	... ...	4	0	4
Moderately improved	*Relieved*	11	1	12
Slightly improved	... ...	14	4	18
Not improved		18	3	21
Total		47	8	55

AGES OF PATIENTS resident during the past financial year:

Ages.	Total No. Resident.			No. Deceased.		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
From 1 to 5 years ...	1	1	2	0	0	0
5 ,, 10 ,, ...	20	10	30	1	1	2
10 ,, 15 ,, ...	38	33	71	1	0	1
15 ,, 20 ,, ...	78	34	112	4	1	5
20 ,, 25 ,, ...	107	35	142	2	0	2
25 ,, 30 ,, ...	105	50	155	0	0	0
30 ,, 35 ,, ...	85	37	122	0	0	0
35 ,, 40 ,, ...	47	30	77	0	1	1
40 and upwards ...	87	61	148	3	1	4
	568	291	859	11	4	15

NOTE.—The following special Tables are not intended to take the place of the Local Subscription Lists, which contain full particulars of all contributions to the funds of the Royal Albert Institution and are reprinted biennially.

PRESENTS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

Anonymous, Lancaster, £2 2s.
Anonymous, Cigarette Cards.
Bleasdale & Sons, Lancaster, Meat Block.
Bolton-le-Sands Congregational Church Members, 160 Fresh Eggs.
Brook, Miss, Huddersfield, Materials.
Broughton, Mrs., Blackpool, 5s.
Brown, Mrs., Bradford, Books.
Bryan, Mrs., Wigan, Chocolate and Sweets.
Cheetham, Mrs., Chester, Clothing.
Clark, Mrs., Liverpool, Apples.
Cook, Miss, Lancaster, Easter Egg.
Dowler, Mrs., Wallasey, Easter Eggs.
Griffin, S., Monkseaton. 5s.
Grundy, F., Stamford, Books.
Grundy, Mrs., Lancaster, Gramophone and Records.
Hawson, Mrs., Ainsdale, Books, Wools, Materials and Games.
Jones, Mrs., Leeds, 10s.
Macdonald, Mrs., Lancaster, Clothing.
Matthews, R. L., Pendleton, Clothing.
McPhail, A. G., Linthorpe, Cigarette Cards.
Nield, Mrs., Weaverham, Gramophone Records.
Pitt, Miss, Southport, Clothing and Magazines.
Platt, Mrs., Widnes, Clothing.
Preston, Mrs., Lancaster, Clothing and Hats.
Price, Mrs., Broughton, Dress Materials.
Ramsay, Mrs., Blackburn, Clothing and Slippers.
Sharples, Mrs., Whiston Flowers.
Staley, Mrs., Sheffield, Cards and Gramophone Records.
St. Paul's Church, Lancaster, per the Rev. D. Birney, Fruit.
Turner, Mrs., Morecambe, Clothing.
Ward, Alderman, Lancaster, 750 Fresh Eggs.
Westhead, Mrs., Blackpool, Clothing.
Winward, Mrs., Barrow, Easter Eggs.
Wise, Mrs., Manchester, Gramophone Records and Coat.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Abbatt, Mrs. and Miss, Preston, Toys and Sweets.
Aitken, Mrs. James, Lancaster, £1 1s.
Aked, W. R., Lancaster, Sweets, Soaps and Jig-saw Puzzles.
Altham, F. W., Lancaster, 10s. 6d.
Altham, Mrs. J. C., Morecambe, Fruit and Nuts.
Altham, Mrs. R., Heysham, Fruit and Nuts.
Anonymous, 5s.
Ashton, Right Hon. Lady, Lancaster, Books, Dolls, Toys and Games.
Atkinson, Miss, Kendal, 5s.
Atkinson, Mrs. E. C., Lancaster, Sweets.
Bailey, Mrs., Crewe, Sweets, Materials and Cards.
Baines, Mrs., Lancaster, Books.
Barrow, Misses, Lancaster, Sweets.
Bate & Gorst, Lancaster, Bottle of Sweets.
Bentley, Mrs., Lancaster, 10s.
Berry, Mrs., Barnacre, 10s.
Bradwell, Mrs. H., Sheffield, 10s.
Bramley, Mrs., Heysham, Fruit.
Briggs, Mrs. F., Keighley, £5.
Brighouse, G., Prescot, 5s.
Broadbent, Mrs., Sowerby Bridge, 2s. 6d.
Broughton, Mrs., Blackpool, 5s.
Brown, Mrs., Willaston, 2s. 6d.
Brown, Mrs. E., Bradford, £1.
Bryan, Mrs., Crawford, Chocolates, Biscuits and 10s. 6d.
Calvert, Herbert, Penwortham, £1.

Calvert & Heald, Lancaster, Gramophone Records.
Campbell, Miss, Portsmouth, Parcels for Patients.
Cartwright, Rev. J. H., High Wycombe, 5s.
Caswell, E. P., East Morton, 5s.
Cheetham, Mrs., Chester, Christmas Cards and 5s.
Clark, Mrs., London, £2 2s.
Clark, J. G. E., Lancaster, 10s.
Coleman, Dr. J. J., Sheffield, £1.
Constable, Mrs., Goole, 7s. 6d.
Coulton, C. E., Keighley, 5s.
Coupland, Dr. W. H., London, Picture Books and Boxes of Fancy Soaps.
Cragg, Mrs., Lancaster, 2s. 6d.
Croft & Ewan, Lancaster, Box of Apples.
Crook, R. K., Wigan, £1.
Cross, Miss L. B., Morecambe, 10s.
Cross, Miss D., Lancaster, Books and Album.
Cross, T., & Sons, Lancaster, Large Christmas Stocking.
Cumberlidge, Mrs., Moreton, 2s. 6d.
Cunnington, Mrs. C. E., Sheffield, 7s. 6d.
Dimond, W., South Shields, 15s.
Dowler, Mrs., Wallasey, Chocolates, Sweets and £2.
Dyson, Miss, Newcastle, 10s. 6d.
Edwards, Mrs., Lancaster, 12s. 6d.
Ewan, Mrs., Lancaster, 7s. 6d.
Fitchett, Mrs., Brondesbury, £1 1s.
Freeman, Mrs., Hull, £1 1s.
A Friend, 5s.
Gardner, R., Lancaster, £1.
Gates, Mrs. and Miss, Lancaster, Games and Toys.
Goodwin, Mrs. and Master, Bare, Sweets and Picture Book.
Gorrill, Messrs., Lancaster, Box of Sweets.
Gunson, Mrs., Lancaster, 5s.
Halsall, Mrs., Nelson, Cards.
Harbottle, A.T., Stockton-on-Tees, Case of Oranges and Boxes of Apples.
Hargreaves, Miss, Oswaldtwistle, 10s.
Harrison, Miss, Lancaster, Cake.
Hartley, Mrs., Manchester, 7s. 6d.
Harwood, Mr. and Mrs., Lancaster, 10s.
Hawson, Mrs., Ainsdale, £1.
Hayton, Misses, Lancaster, 5s.
Helme, Lady, and Mr. T. W. Helme, Lancaster, Case of Oranges.
Heald, Miss, Lancaster, £1 1s.
Heywood, Miss E. M., Lancaster, Books.
Hodgkinson, Mr. and Mrs. A., Batley, £1.
Hodgson, F., Warrington, £1 1s.
Hodson, Mrs., Preston, 2s. 6d.
Holland, Mrs., Bolton, 3s. 6d.
Hollyhead, Mrs., Pontefract, 10s.
Huck, Mr. and Mrs. W., Lancaster, Jig-saw Puzzles.
Hudson, Mrs., Keighley, 10s.
Hully, Mrs., Lancaster, Box of Handkerchiefs.
Hunter, Mrs., Newcastle, £1 1s.
Hulme, Miss, Lancaster, Chocolates.
Ireland, Miss A. F., Lancaster, Chocolates.
Irvine, Mrs., Bromborough, 10s.
Jackson, Mrs. R., Ashton-under-Lyne, 10s.
Jameson, J., Ashton-in-Makerfield, 10s.
Johnson, Mrs. F. D., Morecambe, and Mrs. E. N., Lancaster, Crackers, Biscuits and Figs.
Jones, F., Cheadle Heath, Clothing and 10s. 6d.
Kesteven, E., Sheffield, 2s. 6d.
Lancaster, Mayor of (Councillor R. E. Bamber), £1.
Lancaster and District Co-operative Society, Case of Oranges and Box of Apples.
Lawrence, H., Calthwaite Hall, £1.
Lingard, Mr. and Mrs., Preston, Sweets and 10s.
Long, John, Cartmel Fell, 5s. 2d.
Lumb, F., Sowerby Bridge, 3s.
Lunn, F., Liverpool, 10s.
Macdonald, Major, Lancaster, 10s. 6d.
Matthews, R. L., Pendleton, Clothing.
Maudsley, Miss, Lancaster, Assorted Fruit.
McGlynn, T. H., Blackpool, £1 11s. 6d.
McRaith, Mrs., Lancaster, Writing Outfits and Jacket.
Metcalfe, Miss, Blackpool, Gifts for Girls and 10s.
Nicholas, Mr. and Mrs. W. A., Sheffield, £2.
Nicholson, Mrs., York, 10s.
Parsons, Mrs. C. F., Stoke Newington, Crackers.
Pattinson, Mr. and Mrs., Warsop, 5s.
Paulden, W., Southport, £2 2s.

Perry, Mrs., Southport, £1.
Pinch, Miss, Lancaster, Grapes and Crackers.
Pinches, W. E., Lancaster, Two Cases of Oranges.
Postlethwaite, Mrs., Lancaster, 7s. 6d.
Procter & Son, Burnley, £1 1s.
Ramsay, Mrs. J. T. T., Blackburn, £1.
Rawson, Mrs. Selwyn, Sowerby Bridge, £1.
Reed, Miss, Newcastle, £1 1s.
Ridsdale, G. W. (the late), Lancaster, £1.
Riley, Mrs., Nelson, 5s.
Robinson, J. A., & Son, Lancaster, Crackers and Novelties.
Sandeman, Major T. G., Lancaster, £1.
Sanders, Mrs., Port Sunlight, 2s. 6d.
Seward, Mrs., Lancaster, Book and 5s.
Sharp, Mrs. and Miss, Lancaster, Games.
Sharples, Mrs., Whiston, £1.
Sheen, Mrs., Wallasey, 10s.
Simpson, Mrs. A. D., Lancaster, Sweets.
Smith, Gordon H., Darlington, £1 1s.
Smith, Mrs. R., Ashton-in-Makerfield, 10s.
Smith, R., Lancaster, 10s.
Smith, Misses, Lancaster, Handbags, Books and Games.
Smith, Mrs., Blackpool, Magazines.
Smiths, T. D., & Son, Lancaster, Crackers.
Southorn, Mrs., Redcar, 10s.
Strong, Miss F. J., Alnwick, 5s.
Such, Mrs., Preston, 5s.
Such, J., Sunderland, 5s.
Sutton, Mrs., Farington, 10s.
Swainson, J. G., Lancaster, 10s. 6d.
Taylor, Mrs., Clitheroe, Cake and £1.
Tetley, Col. C. H., Knaresborough, £1 1s.
Thornton, Mrs., London, Chocolates.
Threlfall, E., Lancaster, Boxes of Sweets.
Till, Ald. T., Lancaster, 10s.
Timmis, H. Sutton, Liverpool, £1.
Todd, Miss, Lancaster, Sweets and Chocolates.
Tyler, H. P., Lancaster, Pencils and Books.
Warburton, Miss H., High Lane, 2s. 6d.
Ward, Mrs. W. H., Lancaster, 7s. 6d.
Wearing, Mr. and Mrs. H., Blackpool, 10s.
Wearing, Mrs., Blackpool, 10s.
Webster, Mr. and Mrs., Blackpool, 10s.
Webster, Mrs., Bradford, 5s.
Welch, John, Lancaster, £1.
Wells, Mrs., Letchworth, Parcel for Patient and £2 2s.
Westhead, Mrs., Blackpool, 10s.
Westhead, Mrs., Bolton, Clothing.
Whittle, Mrs., Blackpool, 2s. 6d.
Wildman, Mrs., Lancaster, Fruit, Nuts, Books and Magazines.
Willis, Miss E. C., Warton, 5s.
Wilson, A. W., Dolphinholme, 5s.
Winward, Mr. and Mrs., Barrow, 10s.
Wolfendale, G., Lancaster, 2s. 6d.
Yates & Jackson, Lancaster, £1 10s.

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS, 1936—37.

	£	s.	d.
Storey Brothers & Co., Ltd., Lancaster	52	10	0
Sheffield Town Trustees	50	0	0
Mrs. Mills, Crewe:			
Net Proceeds of Flower Day, April 30th, 1937	39	18	3
Otley Congregational Church Mothers' Meeting:			
Proceeds of special efforts at Otley, 1936-37...	28	17	6
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Partridge, Sheffield:			
Proceeds of Whist-drives, 1936-37	21	0	0
Mrs. Nield, Weaverham:			
Proceeds of Whist-drives and Dance, 1937	12	10	0

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Jepson and Mrs. Mills, Crewe: Proceeds of Whist-drives, 1936-37	8	10	0
Offertory at St. Michael-on-Wyre Church, Garstang, 1936, per the Vicar and Parochial Church Council...	6	6	7
Mrs. Hedworth, Crewe: Proceeds of Whist-drives, 1936-37	5	4	6
Scott, F. C., Sand Aire House, Kendal	25	0	0
Trustees of Sir James Reckitt Charity, Hull	20	0	0
Woolcombers Ltd., Bradford	20	0	0
Bradford Dyers' Association	15	0	0
Standard Fireworks Ltd., Huddersfield	13	15	5
Bradford Mental Welfare Committee	10	10	0
Galloway, W. W. (the late), Bilsborough Hall, near Preston	10	10	0
Reckitt & Sons, Hull...	10	10	0
Tetley, Joshua, & Son, Leeds	10	10	0
Ashton, Right Hon. Lady, Heaves, Kendal	10	0	0
Brandwood, Mrs. E. A., Tivoli, 36, Myers Road West, Great Crosby	10	0	0
Tetley, Colonel C. H., Kirkman Bank, Knaresborough	10	0	0
Reyner Trust Fund, Liverpool	9	9	0
In Memory of Clifford, Wallasey	8	8	0
Leeds Women's Civic Club, per Mrs. Spilmont	8	8	0
Whitley, Misses, 11, Heath Avenue, Savile Park, Halifax	8	2	0
Liverpool Council of Social Service Charities Fund	8	0	0
Lancashire Public Assistance Committee	7	0	0
Yerburgh, Mrs., 25, Kensington Gore, S.W.	6	11	2
Westminster, His Grace the Duke of, Eaton Hall, Chester	6	9	1
Brierley, Abm., & Sons, Rochdale...	5	5	0
Cavendish, Right Hon. Lord Richard, Holker Hall, Cark-in-Cartmel..	5	5	0
Cawley, Right Hon. Lord (the late), Berrington Hall, Leominster ...	5	5	0
Clegg, E., & Son, Shore Mills, Littleborough	5	5	0
Crompton, Mrs., 100, Chorley New Road, Bolton	5	5	0
Green, Mrs., Harewood, Skipton	5	5	0
Hignett, Miss, Moor Lodge, Oldfield Road, Heswall	5	5	0
Holt, Miss E. G., Sudley, Mossley Hill, Liverpool	5	5	0
Huddersfield Public Assistance Committee	5	5	0
Lewis's Ltd., Liverpool	5	5	0
Paton, Lady, 52, Queens Gate, Kensington, S.W.7	5	5	0
Pinches, W. E., Edenbreck, Lancaster	5	5	0
Phœnix Sanitary Co., Preston	5	5	0
Priestley, Lady, Rosemount House, Bradford	5	5	0
Rochdale Public Assistance Committee	5	5	0
Tootal Broadhurst Lee Co., Manchester	5	5	0
Trustees of Dean Barwick's Charity, Witherslack	5	5	0
Anonymous, Newcastle-on-Tyne	5	0	0
Anonymous, Northumberland	5	0	0
Bentinck, Lady Henry, Underley Hall, Kirkby Lonsdale	5	0	0
Brigg, W. A., Kildwick Hall, Keighley	5	0	0
Brighouse Hospitals' Committee	5	0	0
Bromley-Davenport, Brig.-Gen. Sir W., Capesthorne, Chelford ...	5	0	0
Crawford, A. I., Fern Lea, Mossley Hill, Liverpool	5	0	0
Derby, Right Hon. the Countess of, Knowsley, Prescot	5	0	0
Everett-Heath, E. H., 31, Sylvan Road, Exeter...	5	0	0
Hartley, Wm. P., Ltd., Aintree, Liverpool	5	0	0
Larking, Lady, Kingswood, Blundellsands	5	0	0

	£	s.	d.
Rawson, Mrs. Selwyn, The Haugh End, Sowerby Bridge	5	0	0
Sherson, Miss, Woodcroft, Windermere	5	0	0
Sladen, A. R., Cleeve Howe, Windermere	5	0	0
Sladen, J. Mortimer, Cleeve Howe, Windermere	5	0	0
Taylor Paterson Trust Fund, Newcastle-on-Tyne	5	0	0
Turner, H. R., Edgemoor, Burbage, Buxton	5	0	0
Turner, Samuel, and Mrs., Springbank, Rochdale	5	0	0

CO-OPERATIVE, INDUSTRIAL AND FRIENDLY SOCIETIES.

	£	s.	d.
Co-operative Wholesale Society, Manchester	21	0	0
Crewe Co-operative Friendly Society	12	12	0
Gateshead Industrial Co-operative Society	10	10	0
Rochdale Equitable Pioneers' Society	10	10	0
Bolton Co-operative Society...	5	5	0
Brighouse District Industrial Society	5	5	0
Bury District Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Heywood Industrial Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Jarrow and Hebburn Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Lancaster District Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Manchester and Salford Equitable Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Stockport Industrial and Equitable Co-operative Society	5	5	0
Hebden Bridge Co-operative Society	3	3	0
Oldham Equitable Co-operative Society	3	3	0
Otley Friendly Societies' Association	3	3	0
Sowerby Bridge Industrial Society...	3	3	0
Todmorden Co-operative Society	3	3	0
Smaller amounts	53	15	0
	£166	2	0

NEW CONTRIBUTIONS, 1936—37.

DONATIONS.

	£	s.	d.
Crossley, Mrs., Holmefield, Spotland, Rochdale	70	10	3
Rushforth, Miss E., 23, Coney Street, Currock, Carlisle	20	0	0
Lye, Frederick, Spring Mount, Rochdale...	10	10	0
Scott, Norman, Highfield, Rochdale	10	10	0

	£	s.	d.
Brierley, George Murray, Pyon House, Canon Pyon, Hereford ...	10	0	0
Pyke, Cuthbert Joseph, Thistleton Lodge, near Kirkham	5	5	0
Ashworth, J. K., and Mrs., Dunster, Rochdale	5	0	0
Bolton, Fletcher, Chamber House, Rochdale	5	0	0
Crabtree, R. C., Mrs. and Miss, Rosegarth, Bury Road, Rochdale ...	5	0	0
Kerr, Mrs. E., Varema, 124, Clifton Drive South, St. Annes-on-Sea...	5	0	0
Kerr, Miss M. J., 10, West Beach, Lytham	5	0	0
Milburn, Capt. A. W., Fowberry Tower, Chatton	5	0	0
Noble, L. S., Sunnyhirst, Elms Drive, Bare	5	0	0
Reynolds, John & Co., 26, Cross Street, Manchester	5	0	0
Smith, J., & Co., 420/6, Royal Exchange, Manchester	5	0	0
Tweedale, J. T., Avondale, Rochdale	5	0	0
Walker, Ernest, Sheriff Street, Rochdale	5	0	0
Kay-Menzies, Councillor A. W., Roylelands, Rochdale	3	3	0
Lunesdale Farmers Limited, Lancaster	3	3	0
Rochdale, Right Hon. Lord, Lingholm, Keswick	3	3	0
Todmorden Industrial Co-operative Society, Limited	3	3	0
Crossley, J. T., and Mrs., 187, Bolton Road, Rochdale	3	0	0
Crossley, W., and Mrs., 106, Sheriff Street. Rochdale	3	0	0
Boyce & Co., 125, Royal Exchange, Manchester	2	2	0
Davidson, W., 28, Coudray Street, Southport	2	2	0
Dunstan, Walker & Co., 11, Tithebarn Street, Liverpool	2	2	0
Gartside, Lieut.-Col., and Mrs. J. B., Roy Croft, New Hey	2	2	0
Krohn, E. L., Cotton Exchange, Liverpool	2	2	0
Law, Sir A. J., Honresfield, Littleborough	2	2	0
Merrifield, Zeigler & Co,, Empire Buildings, Spellow Place, Liverpool	2	2	0
Moon, W. D., 12, Haldane Terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne	2	2	0
O'Neill, S., & Sons, Linden Mill, Castleton	2	2	0
Roberts, W., Cotton Exchange, Liverpool	2	2	0
Schofields Ltd., 76, Cross Street, Manchester	2	2	0
Walker, James, 23, Hope Street, Liverpool	2	2	0
Wycherley, Alderman H., Rose Dene, Rochdale	2	2	0
Hargreaves, J.. Spring House, Heywood	2	0	0
Howarth, Sir Rupert B., Neswick, 37, Parkside, Wimbledon, S.W.19	2	0	0
Stahel, W. S., Liverpool Chambers, New Market Place, Manchester	2	0	0
Barrett, Miss Florence, 10, Shirley Avenue, Gorse Hill, Stretford ...	1	10	0
Dimond, Mrs., 39, Osborne Avenue, South Shields	1	5	0
Anonymous, Lancaster	1	3	6
Bell, J. E., Pall Mall Court, Manchester	1	1	0
Brierley, Ronald B., 91, Barkston Gardens, London, S.W.5	1	1	0
Clough, Herbert, 25, Fenton Street, Rochdale	1	1	0
Cross, James, Ltd., 27, The Rock, Bury	1	1	0
Crossley, Miss Kathleen T., 106, Sheriff Street, Rochdale	1	1	0
Crossley, W. C., 106, Sheriff Street, Rochdale	1	1	0
Curwen, Stanley, 5, Honister Avenue, Blackpool	1	1	0
Davidson, Arthur. King Street, Rochdale...	1	1	0
Freeman, Mrs., Pickering Road, Hull	1	1	0
Hargreaves, A., Abbotsford, Facit, Rochdale	1	1	0
Hill, Mrs. Arthur, Denton Park, Ben Rhydding, Ilkley	1	1	0
Howarth, Arthur, Clifton, Falinge Road, Rochdale	1	1	0
Hoyle, Alderman T. V., Parkfield, Milnrow Road, Rochdale	1	1	0
Magrath, Dr. D., 12, Cambridge Road, Ansdell...	1	1	0
Molyneux, Taylor & Co., 142—148, The Albany, Oldham Street, Aintree, near Liverpool	1	1	0

	£	s.	d.
Robinson, Armour & Co., 33, Cross Street, Manchester	1	1	0
Rochdale, Lady, Lingholm, Keswick	1	1	0
Smalley, Mrs. A., Sautridge, Castleton	1	1	0
Smith, W. B. S., Newsham House, Broughton	1	1	0
Sowerby Bridge Industrial Society, Ltd.	1	1	0
Brandon, T., Merefield House, Rochdale...	1	0	0
Crossley, Miss H., Holmefield, Rochdale...	1	0	0
Crossley, Miss Joan Mary, 187, Bolton Road, Rochdale	1	0	0
Crossley, Miss Phyllis, 187, Bolton Road, Rochdale	1	0	0
Ecclesall Whist Circle, per Mrs. H. G. Thomas...	1	0	0
Jowett, Mrs. W. A., Moor Platt, Caton	1	0	0
Kemp, Hon. John, Torside, Helmshore, near Bury	1	0	0
Morris, Arthur, 546, Royal Exchange, Manchester	1	0	0
Roe, R. C., and Mrs., Healey Hall, Rochdale	1	0	0
Turner, Miss H. H., Holmefield, Spotland, Rochdale	1	0	0
Bolton, Mayor of (Alderman J. A. Russell), Town Hall, Bolton ...	0	10	6
Braddock, R. E., Thorncliffe, Windsor Road, Oldham...	0	10	6
Bull, Copeland, Cotton Exchange, Liverpool	0	10	6
Hollas, Arthur, Heaton Grange, Bolton	0	10	6
McGlynn, T. H., 26, South King Street, Blackpool	0	10	6
Rochdale, Mayor of (Councillor C. Crowder), Town Hall, Rochdale...	0	10	6
Stockport, Mayor of (Alderman G. Padmore), Town Hall, Stockport	0	10	6
Stott, Albert, Westlands Cottage, Werneth, Oldham	0	10	6
Stott, Proctor, Hertford Cottage, Wellington Road, Oldham	0	10	6
Warrington, Mayoress of (Miss D. Cooper), Town Hall, Warrington	0	10	6
Baker, Harry, 26, Orrell Lane, Orrell Park, Aintree, near Liverpool...	0	10	0
Broughton, Mrs., 43, Cornwall Avenue, Blackpool	0	10	0
Carr, Mrs. A., Shirley House, Chester	0	10	0
Clayton, H., Glenfarg, Preston	0	10	0
Henderson, Mrs. E. K., The Poplars, Ranmoor Cliffe Road, Sheffield	0	10	0
Moss, Miss Gertrude H., 14, Burlington Street. Ulverston	0	10	0
Rayner, Mrs. Geoffrey, 44, Westbourne Road, Southport	0	10	0
Rowbottom, Miss E., 34, Leyland Road, Southport	0	10	0
Tomlinson, Sir T. S., Ellerhow, Grange-over-Sands	0	10	0
Watson, Miss Emily, Horse Carrs, Rochdale	0	10	0
Smaller amounts	2	9	6

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Crompton, Mrs., 100, Chorley New Road, Bolton	5	5	0
Booth, John, Belfield, Windermere	2	2	0
Bradshaw, H. B., 122, Cregoe Street, Birmingham 15...	2	2	0
Bacon, Mrs., Miller Howe, Windermere	1	1	0
Barbour, Miss Gina, Broxton Old Hall, Chester	1	1	0
Baxter, Mrs. Yates, Barn Close, Beetham	1	1	0
Catterall, Mrs., Hill Cot, Sharples	1	1	0
Charnock, Miss M., 13, Lethbridge Road, Southport	1	1	0
Donegani, E., and Mrs., 49, Sheriff Street, Rochdale	1	1	0
Fletcher, G. W., Ilkley Hall, Ilkley	1	1	0
Grayburn, Mrs., Trerose, Arnside	1	1	0
Henriques, Mrs., Fernholme, Hesketh Park	1	1	0
Horsfall, Sir J. Donald, Hayfield, Glusburn	1	1	0
Lafone, Mrs. H. P. M., Hylands, Kendal	1	1	0

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Ledgard, W. A., Sandy Lodge, Moortown, Leeds	1	1	0
Lever, Mrs. Percy, Vale Bank, Haulgh	1	1	0
Lye, James, Mount Healey, Rochdale	1	1	0
Milburn, Capt. A. W., Fowberry Tower, Chatton	1	1	0
Parker, Councillor G. J., 40, Sheriff Street, Rochdale	1	1	0
Smith, E. H., Collyhurst Waste Mills, Manchester	1	1	0
Simpson, Col. S., D.L., Bowerswood, Garstang	1	1	0
Barlow, Miss, Greenthorn, Edgworth	1	0	0
Stuart, Miss S., Hitherto, Arnside...	1	0	0
Baron, Misses, Kirkland Hall, Garstang	0	10	6
Brickman, Mrs., The Bungalow, Broxton	0	10	6
Brierley, Miss H. C., 8, Sparthfield Avenue, Rochdale	0	10	6
Carter, Mrs. R. B., Owton Fens, Greatham	0	10	6
Doxford, Mrs. C., Lindeth How, Windermere	0	10	6
Duncan, Col. Hugh S., Lady Close, Otley	0	10	6
Elmhirst, T., 8, Lendal, York	0	10	6
France Fenwick Tyne & Wear Co., Ltd., Newcastle-upon-Tyne ...	0	10	6
Greenwood, Councillor Fred, Woodville, 53, Falinge Road, Rochdale	0	10	6
Mangnall, Mrs., Saighton House, Saighton	0	10	6
Matthews, P., Eastburn, Crosshills	0	10	6
Nicholls, Mrs., Holly Holme, Windermere	0	10	6
Paget-Tomlinson, Capt. W., Wrayton Hall, Melling	0	10	6
Petyt, Mrs. K., 17, Hollinhurst Avenue, Penwortham	0	10	6
Taylor, Ernest, 56, Rosebery Avenue, Preston, North Shields ...	0	10	6
Wood, Mrs. Norman, 39, Westbourne Road, Southport	0	10	6
Aitchison, Sir Stephen, Lemmington Hall, Alnwick	0	10	0
Anderson, Mrs., Greensyke, Dalston, Carlisle	0	10	0
Anonymous, Caton	0	10	0
Baird, Mrs., Wrenwood, West Hartlepool	0	10	0
Bickerstaffe, Miss, Borwick Lodge, Hawkshead	0	10	0
Cooper, Mrs., 184, Chorley New Road, Bolton	0	10	0
Entwistle, Mrs. W., Capesthorne, Victoria Road, Heaton, Bolton ...	0	10	0
Hartley, Miss, Brookroyd, Palatine Avenue, Lancaster...	0	10	0
Hine, Mrs. W. J., Ellel Hall, Lancaster	0	10	0
Holt, Mrs., Woodlands, Bolton	0	10	0
Howard, Mrs. and Miss, Gray Gables, Bolton	0	10	0
Howarth, Harold, and Mrs., Clifton, Falinge Road. Rochdale ...	0	10	0
Jebb, Mrs., Northumberland	0	10	0
Johnson, Mrs. F. M., Castlesteads, Brampton	0	10	0
Kelly, Alderman W. T., M.P., 26, Crofton Road, London, S.E.5 ...	0	10	0
Leverhulme, Right Hon. Viscountess, Thornton Manor, Thornton Hough	0	10	0
Makinson, Miss A., 2, Nuttall Terrace, Wentworth Street, Bolton ...	0	10	0
Morton, Lady, Dalston Hall, Carlisle	0	10	0
Phethean, Mrs. W., Ramwells, Bromley Cross	0	10	0
Proffitt, Mr. and Mrs., 573, Chorley Old Road, Bolton...	0	10	0
Rawson, R., Bridge Gate, Hebden Bridge	0	10	0
Southwell, T., Nutclough House, Hebden Bridge	0	10	0
Taylor, Misses, 190, Chorley New Road, Bolton	0	10	0
Townson, Mrs., Maerfield, Lostock	0	10	0
Walker, Mrs. W., Burnthwaite, Bolton	0	10	0
Watson, W. S., and Mrs., Fairfield, Hebden Bridge	0	10	0
Smaller amounts	32	4	2